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TRUE CRIMINAL CASE HISTORIES!
DEDICATED TO THE ERADICATION OF CRIME!

HEY! TAKE IT EASY UP HERE! IT'S TWO A.M.! YOU'RE WAKIN' THE DEAD!

OH, OH, COMING LADY!

I'LL BEAT YOUR EARS IN, YOU DUMB FRILL!

WHAT ARE YOU WAITING FOR? LOCK HIM UP!

GO AHEAD, LOCK ME UP! CAN'T A GUY HAVE AN ARGUMENT WITH HIS WIFE?

HE'S WISE! I'M GONNA TIP THE BOYS! HE'S MUGGSY!

DON'T! THERE'LL BE SHOOTING! I DON'T WANNA GET MIXED UP IN NO COP KILLING!

THIS SMELLS LIKE DEAD FISH! I WAS ALMOST A SUCKER FOR ONE OF THE OLDEST GAGS IN THE GAME!

WHAT ARE YOU WAITING FOR AT THIS HOUR, WITH YOUR MOTOR RUNNING?

OH, ER... HI! I'M W. WAITING FOR MY FRIEND— HE'S ER... A LITTLE HIGH!

PURR PURR PURR PURR

IS THAT SO! WELL, IN THAT CASE, WE'LL BOTH WAIT! YOU DON'T MIND IF I HOLD YOUR CAR KEYS 'TIL'S SILLY TO WASTE ALL THAT GAS!

SH... HOLD IT! IT'S A COPPER TALKIN' TO MUGGSY!

CHARLES BIRO

THIS IS ONLY ONE OF MANY MOMENTS OF SUSPENSE IN THE TRUE STORY OF WANNIE HIGGINS, ONE OF MY FORMER PRIZE PUPILS! BE AN EYE WITNESS TO PROOF THAT I DON'T PAY!!

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AT LAST!

A Sensational
Running mate
to CRIME DOES NOT PAY

**ONE GOOD TURN
DESERVES ANOTHER**

WITH all TRUE CRIME STORIES

LAST
WORD

ACE

21 JEWEL

PAY-OFF

OUT OF
THIS UNIVERSE

18 KARAT

THE CREAM

FOUR STAR

TOP
DRAWER

NEVER IN THE HISTORY OF COMIC MAGAZINE PUBLISHING HAS PUBLIC ACCLAIM BEEN SO GREAT, AS IN THE CASE OF CRIME DOES NOT PAY MAGAZINE. WE HAVE, FOR YEARS, BEEN DELUGED WITH LETTERS REQUESTING, EVEN DEMANDING ITS MORE FREQUENT APPEARANCE—IT WAS PROHIBITIVE BECAUSE OF PRODUCTION PROBLEMS BEYOND OUR CONTROL! FOR THIS LONG PERIOD, WE HAVE BEEN STRAINING AT THE LEASH, BUT NOW AT LAST, WE GOT THE WORD "GO." IT IS NOT POSSIBLE TO PUBLISH CRIME DOES NOT PAY EVERY TWO WEEKS, AS MANY REQUESTED. HOWEVER, THIS MAGAZINE, CRIME AND PENALTY, WILL MORE THAN SATISFY THOSE WHO WANT MORE OF THE BEST!

DEAR SIR:
I HAVE JUST FINISHED
READING YOUR COMIC
BOOK. IT TAKES A LOT
OF WORK TO BEAT THE
BEST. CAN YOU PLEASE
PUBLISH "CRIME DOES
NOT PAY" MORE OFTEN?
SINCERELY YOURS,
ELLEN WILKERSON
660 E. COLLEGE
IDAHO FALLS
IDAHO

DEAR SIR:
SO MANY
CHILDREN IN MY
SCHOOL AGREE
WITH ME THAT
"CRIME DOES NOT
PAY" IS THE BEST
COMIC THERE IS!
IT HELPS TO KEEP
CHILDREN ON THE
RIGHT TRACK. OUR
ONLY REGRET IS
THAT IT DOES NOT
COME OUT TWO
OR THREE TIMES
A WEEK. LIKE A
NEWSPAPER.
SINCERELY,
CHARLOTTE
QUINSCOMBE,
P.O. BOX 415,
FLUSHING, L.I.
NEW YORK.

DEAR EDITORS
WHAT YOU SHOULD
DO IS TO MAKE "CRIME"
COMIC A WEEKLY MAG-
AZINE, SO THAT I WILL
BE ABLE TO IMPROVE
MY LIBRARY FASTER.
CONGRATULATIONS
FOR HAVING THE BEST
COMICS IN THE U.S.A.
YOURS TRULY,
ARTHUR CAPRARI, JR.,
11 LEPPER ROAD,
FORT JOHNSON,
NEW YORK

DEAR SIR—
I WISH YOU COULD
PUBLISH "CRIME DOES
NOT PAY" EACH WEEK.
MY MOM AND DAD
AGREE WITH ME.
KEEP THEM COMING.
SINCERELY YOURS,
CARLOS FIGUEROA,
626 S. OELLA ST.,
STOCKTON,
CALIFORNIA

DEAR EDITORS—
I THINK "CRIME DOES
NOT PAY" IS A SWELL
MAGAZINE.
I WISH YOU COULD
PUBLISH IT MORE
OFTEN, SAY EVERY
WEEK.
YOURS TRULY,
RAYMOND DENNIS
211 21st STREET
PHENIX CITY, ALA.

GUILT
EDGED

GRADE-A

THE TOPS

SOLID

TOP OF
THE HEAP

100%

HAND
PICKED

A-1

FRONT ROW

**ORIGINALITY
MEANS
LEADERSHIP**

THIS

**TWO OF A KIND BEATS A ROYAL FLUSH—
CRIME DOES NOT PAY AND
CRIME AND PUNISHMENT!**

OBEDIENT THE LAW

IF I KNEW THEN WHAT I KNOW NOW-

I AM EIGHTEEN AND WAS CONVICTED FOR A THEFT AND SENT TO SONOMA STATE DETENTION HOME. I OWE MY THANKS TO A KIND LADY HERE WHO GAVE ME CRIME DOES NOT PAY TO READ. IT MADE ME SEE HOW ALL CRIMINALS END UP, AND CURED ME. NOW I HOLD NO GRUDGES, EVEN AGAINST THE PERSONS THAT COMMITTED ME HERE. I WANT TO LET OTHERS KNOW IN THE HOPE THAT THEY WILL NOT MAKE THE SAME MISTAKE I DID."

L.L.
VALLEJO,
CALIFORNIA

I'M SERVING FIVE YEARS FOR ROBBERY AND ASSAULT IN THE TEXAS CRIME. IF I HAD READ CRIME DOES NOT PAY SOONER, I WOULD NOT BE HERE TODAY. PLEASE PRINT THIS IF YOU CAN—IT MIGHT KEEP SOME OTHER BOYS OUT OF PRISON.

TEX
#105266
S.F.I. #2
SUGARLAND
TEXAS

EVER SINCE I'VE BEEN OUT OF REFORM SCHOOL I'VE BEEN READING CRIME DOES NOT PAY. EVERYBODY SHOULD READ YOUR GOOD BOOK.

R.L.P.

SEND US
REPRINT
ADDRESS

I AM DOING TIME FOR A CRIME I COMMITTED. MY DEEPEST REGRET IS THAT I WAS NOT FORTUNATE ENOUGH TO READ YOUR MAGAZINE BEFORE I MADE MY GREAT FATAL ERROR. MY GREATEST THANKS FOR BRINGING SUCH A GREAT BOOK INTO THE LIVES OF AMERICANS.

H.L.W.
MARYLAND HOUSE
OF CORRECTION
JESSUPS, MD.

I WAS CONVICTED, OF SHOP-LIFTING. MY PRIEST SUGGESTED CRIME DOES NOT PAY AS MY READER YOUR MAGAZINE MADE ME REALIZE THE TRUTH OF ITS MEANING. I HAVE YOUR FINE BOOK TO THANK FOR THE CHANGE IN ME.

A.F.
BOSTON,
MASS.

A GOOD PORTION OF MY LIFE WAS SPENT IN JAIL PRISON. ON MY RELEASE, I GOT MARRIED AND SETTLED DOWN—I NOW HAVE A JOB HOME, AND I AM A VOTER. I'M SORRY I EVER COMMITTED THAT CRIME, BUT NOW I KNOW THAT CRIME DOES NOT PAY.

J.J.
CHICAGO
ILLINOIS

I'M DEEPLY SORRY I DIDN'T READ CRIME DOES NOT PAY BEFORE I WAS CONVICTED OVER THREE YEARS AGO. I SERVED 1 1/2 YEARS. I AM NOW WORKING AND GOING STRAIGHT. THANKS FOR YOUR MAGAZINE—IT PROVES TO EVERYONE THAT CRIME DOES NOT PAY.

J.B.F.
MERIDAN,
CONN.

UPON THE REQUEST OF MOST OF THE SIGNATORIES, WE ARE WITH-HOLDING THEIR FULL NAMES AND STREET ADDRESSES.

OUT OF THE COUNTLESS THOUSANDS OF LETTERS THAT WE, THE EDITORS OF CRIME DOES NOT PAY MAGAZINE RECEIVE, WE'VE SELECTED HUNDREDS OF SUCH AS THESE. WITH SOME PRIDE WE PRESENT A FEW OF THEM HERE.

DEDICATED TO THE ERADICATION OF CRIME

THE CRIMSON STORY OF VANNIE HIGGINS

"I'LL BE BIG TIME OR BUST," HE SAID, "THE ONLY THINGS
THAT WILL STAND IN MY WAY ARE THE DEAD BODIES
I'LL HAVE TO WALK OVER!"

A
TRUE
CRIME
STORY

HEY, BILL, YA WANNA
DIE LAUGHING? LOOKIT
WHAT OFFICER COMMON
SENSE SAYS'LL HAPPEN
TO ME, IF I KEEP
BREAKIN' THE LAW!

MEND YOUR WAYS,
VANNIE—YOU'VE STILL
GOT A CHANCE TO
SQUARE YOURSELF
WITH THE LAW!



IN
CONSIDERATION
OF INNOCENT
PEOPLE INVOLVED AND
RELATIVES OF OTHERS,
THE NAMES OF SOME
CHARACTERS DEPICTED IN
THIS TRUE MAGAZINE
ARE FICTITIOUS

the editors

WHO IS THIS GHOST
OF AN OFFICER WHO
KNOWS THE FATE
OF BROOKLYN'S PUBLIC
ENEMY NO. 1, VANNIE
HIGGINS? IS OFFICER
COMMON SENSE MERELY
THE VOICE OF JUSTICE,
THE CONSCIENCE
THAT LIVES IN EVERY
MIND, HOWEVER VILLAINOUS—
OR IS HE A TIGHT-FISTED
FIGHTER FOR TRUTH AND
PEACE? THE FOLLOWING
PAGES WILL TELL
THE STORY..

OBEY THE LAW

IT IS THE YEAR 1919—THE POLICE COLLEGE OF NEW YORK HOLDS A GRADUATION CEREMONY...



THE MAN WHO GRADUATES AT THE HEAD OF HIS CLASS—JOHN O'SHAY! COME ON UP HERE, JOHN!

O'SHAY WAS NOT ONLY THE BEST STUDENT IN THE POLICE COLLEGE, BUT THE YOUNGEST!

CONGRATULATIONS, O'SHAY!

THANK YOU, SIR!



YOU YOUNG POLICEMEN ARE RECEIVING YOUR BADGES IN THE HOTTEST PERIOD IN AMERICAN HISTORY! YOU'VE GOTTEN THE BEST POLICE TRAINING IN THE WORLD! PUT IT TO USE—GOOD LUCK TO YOU ALL!



SON—NOW THAT YOU'RE TAKING OVER MY OLD BEAT, I'M NOT SO WORRIED ABOUT HAVING RETIRED! I'M PROUD OF YOU, JOHN!



I'LL NEVER BE THE COP YOU WERE, DAD!

THE DICKENS YOU SAY—AN' YOU'LL BE MUCH BETTER, AFTER I SHOW YOU THE TRICKS OF THE TRACE!



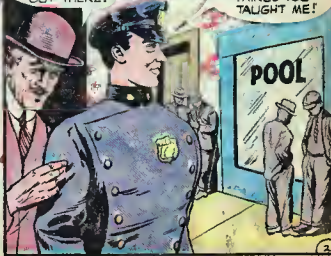
HEY, ENOUGH, POR—YOU WANT TO KILL ME?

YOU INGRATEFUL WRETCH—HERE I'M SHOWIN' YOU HOW TO BREAK A MUGGER'S GRIP AN' YOU ACCUSE ME OF MURDER!



ALWAYS CARRY YOUR CLUB IN YOUR LEFT HAND WHEN YOU EXPECT TROUBLE, AND BEWARE OF THAT POOL HALL, SON! SOME OF THE WORST RATS ON YOUR BEAT HANG OUT THERE!

I'LL HAVE TO REMEMBER THAT, ALONG WITH ANOTHER MILLION THINGS YOU TAUGHT ME!



OBEY THE LAW



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TAKE IT EASY, OFFICER—I'LL GO QUIETLY! JUST A LITTLE MISUNDERSTANDIN' BETWEEN WIFE AN' HUSBAND!

THAT'S ODD! HOW'D HE COOL OFF SO FAST? READY TO MURDER IN ONE SECOND AND COOL AS ICE THE NEXT!

WHAT ARE YOU WAITING FOR, OFFICER? AREN'T YOU GOING TO LOCK HIM UP?

GO AHEAD! LOCK ME UP?

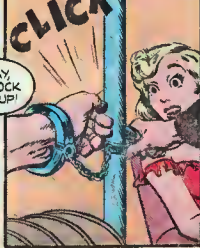
I DON'T GET IT—HE'S TOO WILLING TO BE LOCKED UP!



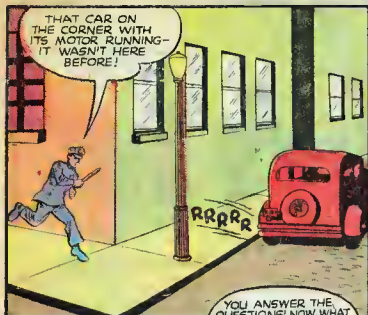
EMPTY DRAWER, EMPTY CLOSETS! THE BEDS HAVEN'T EVEN BEEN SLEPT IN! THIS WIFE-BEATING ACT GETS PHONIER BY THE MINUTE!

...TO THIS STEAM PIPE, WHERE YOU'LL KEEP TILL I COME BACK!

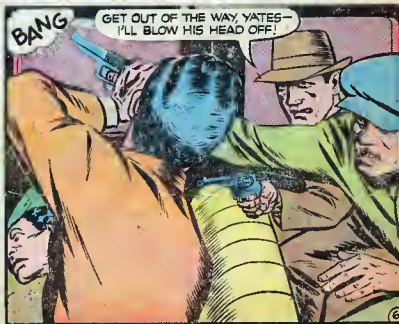
THE WHOLE THING SMELLS OF DEAD FISH! THEY'RE PLANTED DECOYS! SOMETHING BIGGER IS BEING PULLED, WHILE I'M KEPT BUSY WITH A PHONEY WIFE-BEATER!



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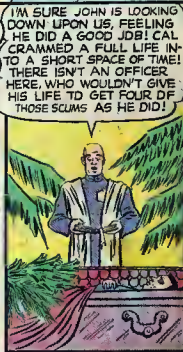
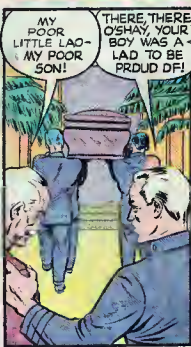


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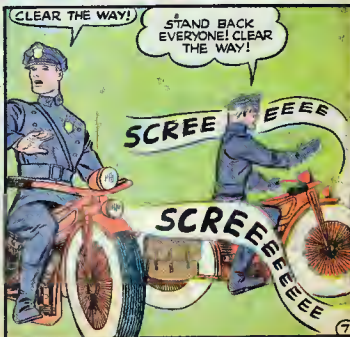
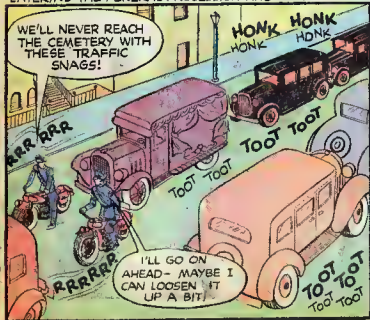


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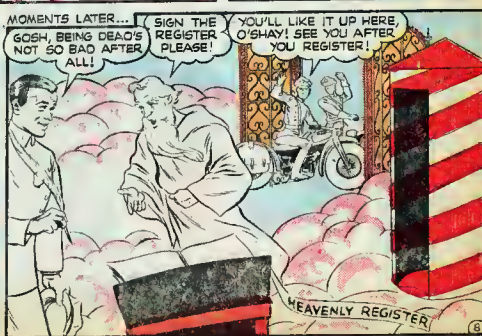
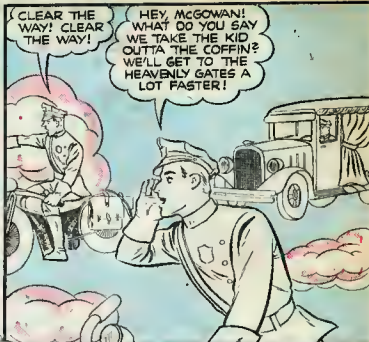
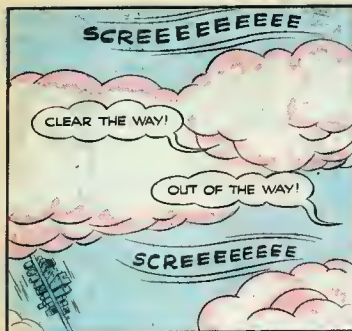
AS THE REMAINING MOBSTER CUTS ACROSS THE GUTTER,
O'SHAY, WITH HIS DYING BREATH, PULLS THE TRIGGER
FOR THE LAST TIME!



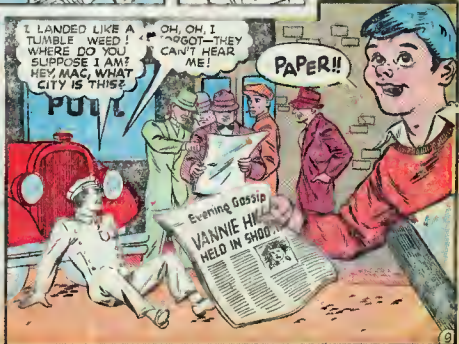
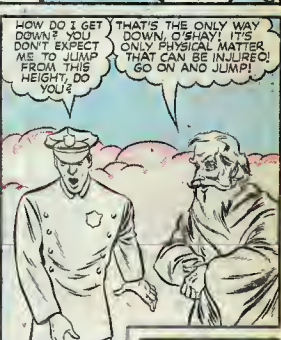
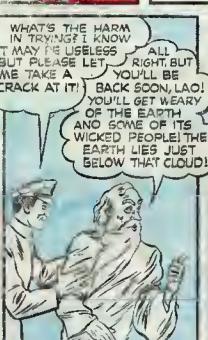
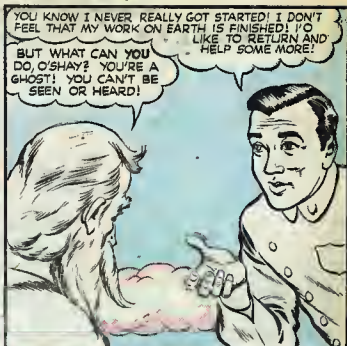
LATER, AS THE FUNERAL PROCESSION HITS A TRAFFIC JAM.



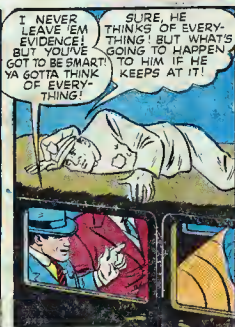
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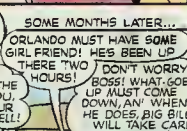
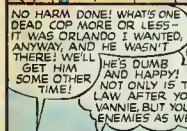
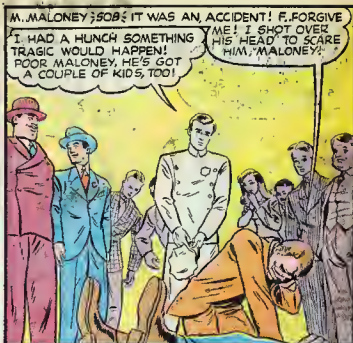
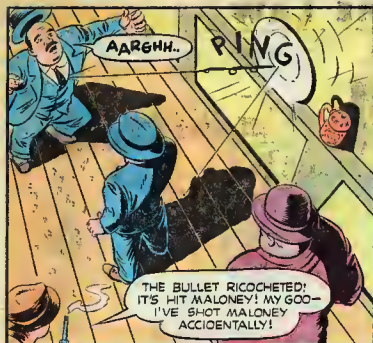
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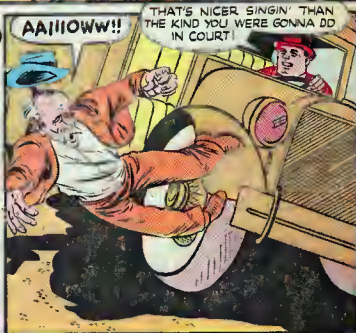
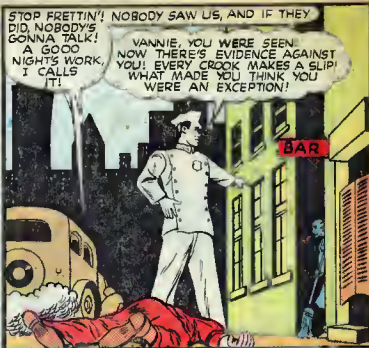
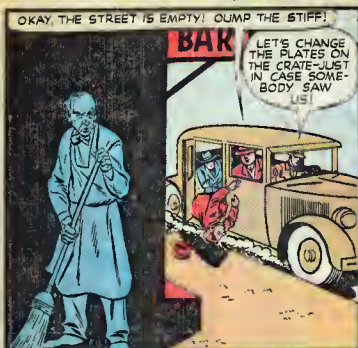
I FOLLOWED VANNIE INTO THAT TAVERN WHERE TWO OFF-DUTY POLICEMEN HAPPENED TO BE RELAXING!



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WITH ORLANDO DEAD, THE REST OF OUR COMPETITION WILL BE DOIN' A MUSCLE DANCE WITH FEAR! THE TOWN IS OURS—GET THE BOYS OVER TO MY PLACE FOR A POW WOW!

TAKE A LOOK AT THE CAR COMING UP BEHIND YOU, VANNIE! YOUR ENEMIES DON'T LOOK SO VERY SCARED!

IT'S A TRAP! DOWN, VANNIE, DOWN!

KILL THE DIRTY RAT! KILL HIGGINS!

BANG

BANG

CRASH

I HAVEN'T BEEN DEAD LONG ENOUGH TO LOSE MY REFLEXES! WHY SHOULD I JUMP OFF? I'M DEAD, ANYWAY!

BANG
BANG
BANG

THEY GOT CHARLIE! YOU ALL RIGHT, VANNIE? GOOD!

YOU WERE LUCKY THIS TIME, HIGGINS, BUT A RAT LIKE YOU WON'T GET AWAY WITH IT FOR LONG!

YEAH—WHEW, THAT WAS CLOSE!

THEN EARLY IN 1931, VANNIE HIGGINS WENT TO BALTIMORE ON "BUSINESS"!

AIRPORT
NO
TRESPASSING

HAVE YOU GOT THAT SUCKER, BEN POST, READY? I HAVEN'T MUCH TIME! I MUST BE BACK IN NEW YORK TONIGHT!

HE'S AT MY OFFICE, VANNIE! HE'LL DO WHAT YOU WANT, IF HE KNOWS WHAT'S HEALTHY FOR 'IM!

WHAT DO YOU SAY TO THIS FRAME-UP, EX-COP? EITHER YOU HELP US BY TAKING AN "INNOCENT" PIECE OF GRAFT OR—SAY, YOU'VE GOT A COUPLE OF KIDS, AIN'T YA? WELL, WHAT DO YA SAY?

YOU'RE NOT SCARIN' ME!

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BECAUSE I'M GIVING YOU A CHOICE OF GETTING OUT OF TOWN, OR EATING SOME MORE OF MY LEAD!

OOHHH...

BANG!!

I CAN'T RUN YOU IN FOR THIS, YOU MURDERING RATS, BUT I'M TELLING ALL THE FACTS TO THE D.A.! I DOUBT IF YOU'LL BE ALIVE LONG ENOUGH TO STAND TRIAL!

I GOT A COUPLE OF WARD HEELERS READY TO TIE THE O.A.'S HANDS! NOW ALL YOU HAVE TO WORRY ABOUT VANNIE, IS GETTIN' WELL!

I'LL BE OKAY! THE DOC SAID I'LL BE OUT IN A WEEK!

BEN POSTI HAD A LOT OF GOOD LEFT IN HIM—HE DEFIED THE HIGGINS' TERROR!

BACK IN NEW YORK...

WE'RE MEETING BURKE AT THE BLOSSOM HEATH INN ON WEST 77TH STREET IN TWENTY MINUTES! HE'LL GIVE IN, VANNIE!

HE'O BETTER, OR I'LL OPEN UP HIS FAT GUT WITH A MEAT CLEAVER!

WATCH YOUR STEP, VANNIE!

YOU CAN'T LEAD A CHARMED LIFE FOREVER! NO CRIMINAL DOES! MAYBE YOU'LL GET IT THIS TIME, VANNIE—FOR GOOD!

BILL, DO YOU HEAR SOMETHING LIKE A VOICE? I CAN HEAR IT—WARNING ME—LIKE...

NUTS, VANNIE! IT'S YOUR IMAGINATION!

BLOSSOM HEATH INN

I CAN STILL HEAR SOMETHING, BILL—TELLING ME TO WATCH OUT OR ELSE!

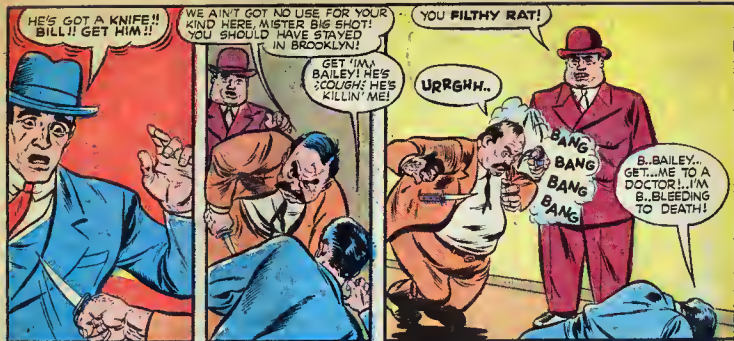
LET EVERYBODY ELSE BUT YOU WATCH OUT, VANNIE! YOU'RE TOO BIG A GUY TO GET HURT! LET'S SEE BURKE!

WELL, HERE I AM, BURKE! WHAT IS IT? I UNDERSTAND YOU GOT AN ANSWER TO MY PROPOSITION, FAT STUFF!

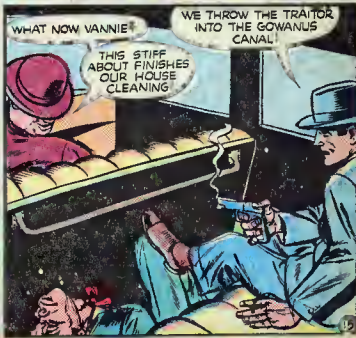
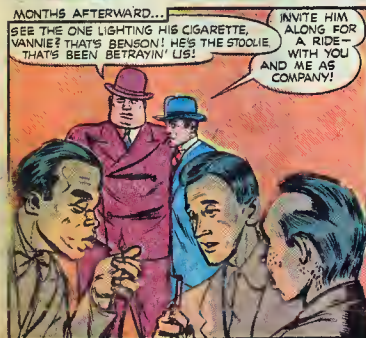
IT BETTER BE THE RIGHT ONE, BURKE!

IT IS!

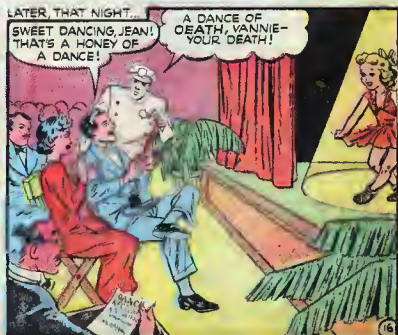
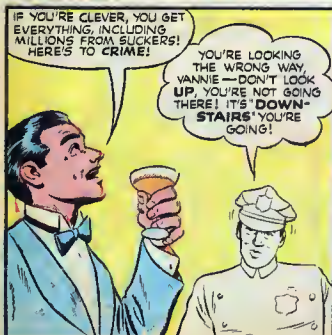
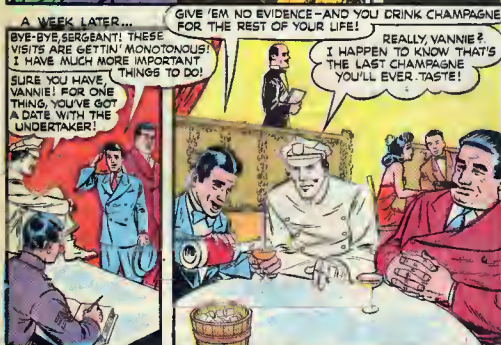
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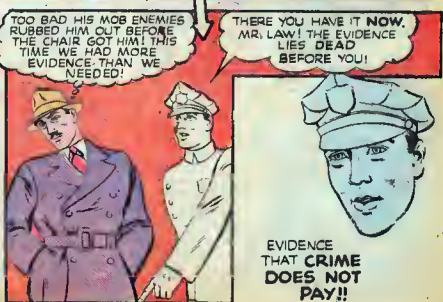
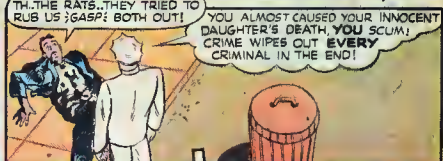
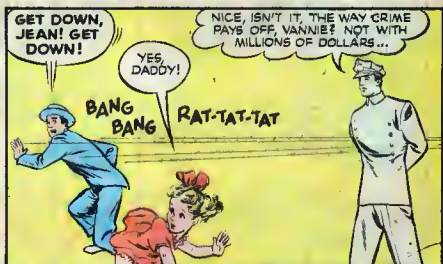
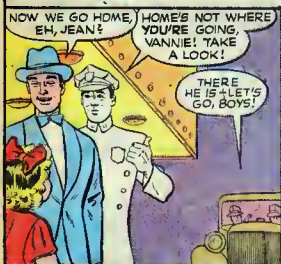
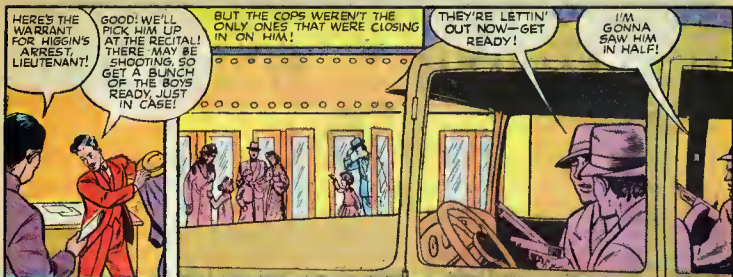
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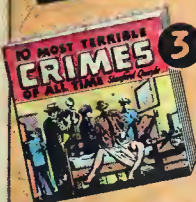
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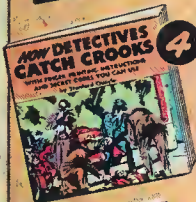
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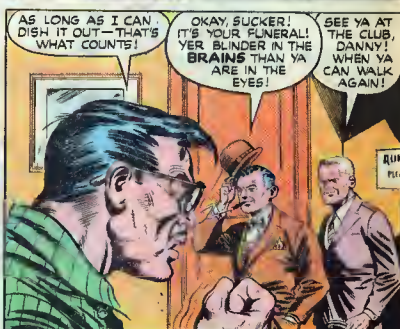
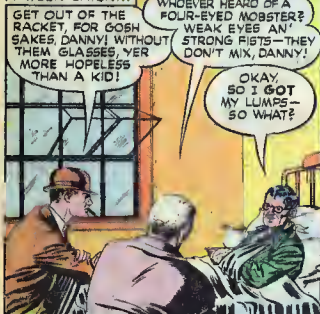
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OFF! IAMASCIA'S BLIND
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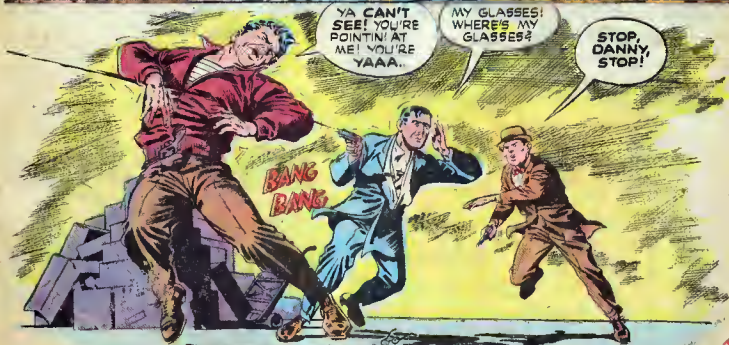
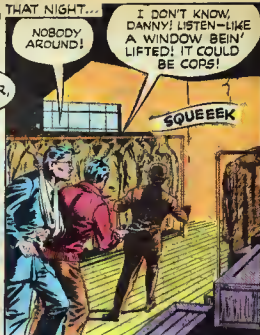
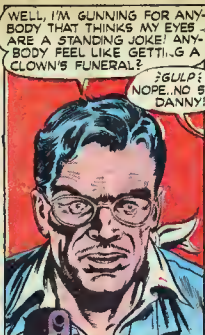
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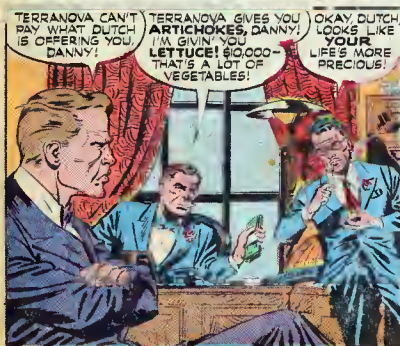
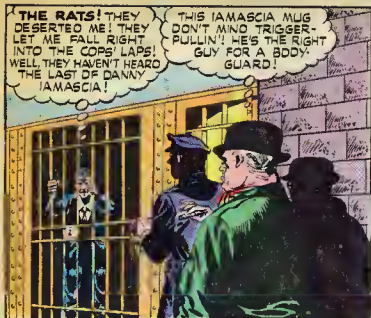
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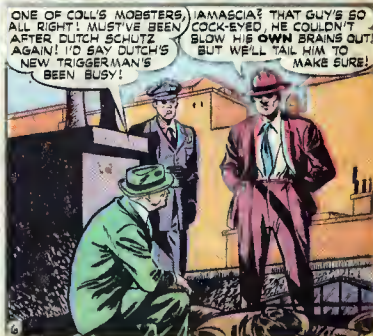
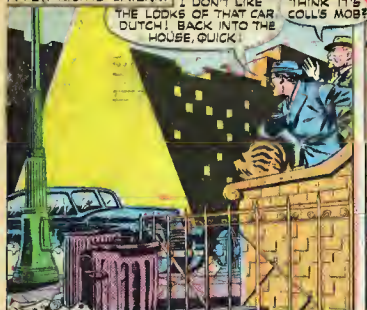


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A FEW NIGHTS LATER...



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THE NIGHT OF JUNE 18, 1931, AT FIFTH AVENUE AND 102ND STREET, NEW YORK CITY...

FOR THREE WEEKS WE'VE BEEN TAILING THEM AND WE CAN'T EVEN PICK 'EM UP FOR STEALING A NAP!

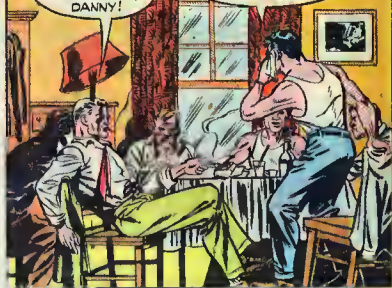
THEY'LL MAKE THEIR MISTAKE SOME TIME! SOONER OR LATER!



IN THE WEE HOURS...

ENOUGH...MY EYES IS CLOSIN'! LET'S BLOW, DANNY!

YEAH, DUTCH! SOON AS I WET MY FACE WITH COLD WATER! I'M DYIN' OF THE HEAT!

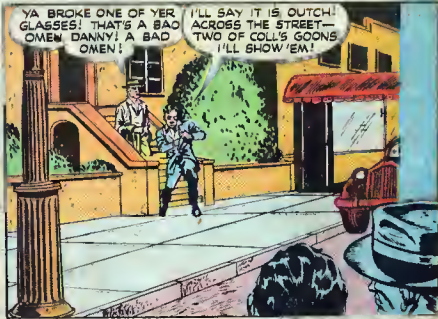


MIGDOSH! I..B..BRUSHED MY GLASSES OFF MY FACE!



YA BROKE ONE OF YER GLASSES! THAT'S A BAD OMEN DANNY! A BAD OMEN!

I'LL SAY IT IS OUTCH! ACROSS THE STREET— TWO OF COLL'S GOONS I'LL SHOW 'EM!

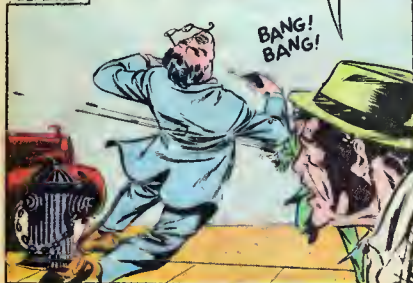


IAMASCIA FIRED FIRST! THEN DETECTIVES JULIUS SALKE AND STEPHEN DIROGA FIRED IN SELF DEFENSE!

O..DANNY! YER WRONG! THEY AIN'T MOBSTERS! ...THEY'RE...

EFEOW!!

BANG! BANG!



...COPS: RIGHT, DUTCH. YOUR NEAR-SIGHTED BODYGUARD DIDN'T SEE STRAIGHT, UNLUCKY FOR HIM!

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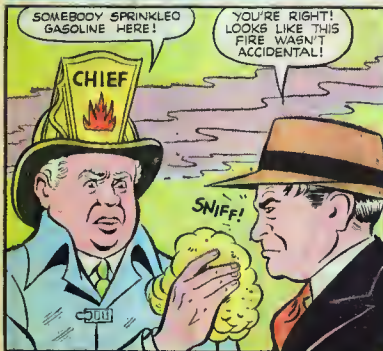
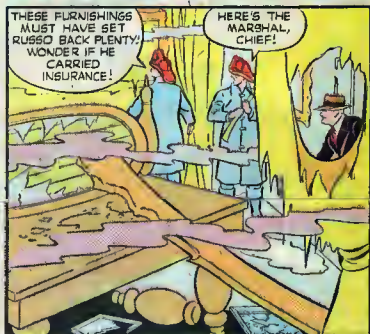
ROSSO — THE WORLD'S
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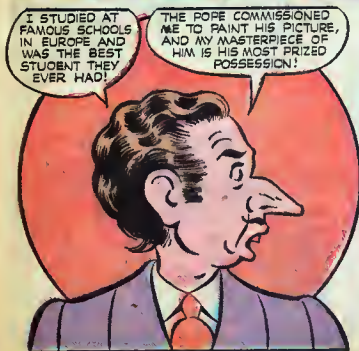
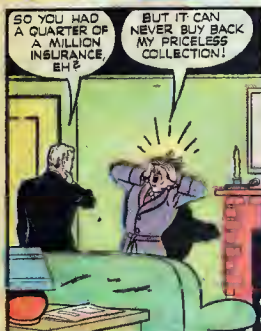
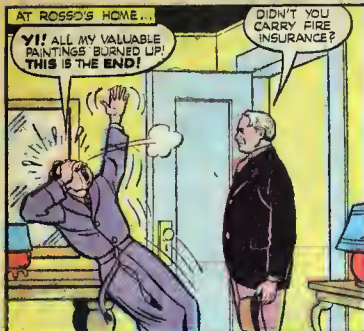
BURNING WITH AMBITION TO SET THE
ART WORLD ON FIRE, "GENIUS" ROSSO
WAS PRUDENT ENOUGH TO CARRY A
QUARTER OF A MILLION DOLLAR FIRE
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IT WAS IN NEW YORK CITY BACK IN
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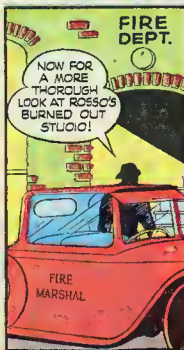
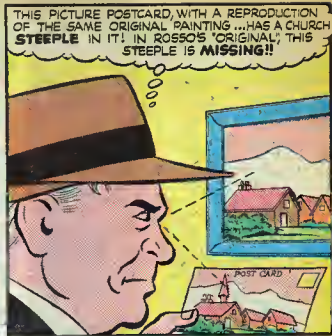
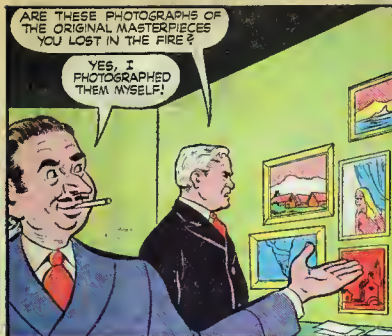
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"GENIUS" ROSSO WAS ARRESTED AND BROUGHT TO TRIAL!

YOU HAVE ASSERTED THAT YOU ARE A GREAT ARTIST AND WERE COMMISSIONED BY THE POPE TO PAINT HIS PORTRAIT!

YES, SIR! THE RESULT WAS A MASTERPIECE WHICH NOW HANGS IN THE VATICAN!

HERE IS A CABLE FROM THE VATICAN POLICE...

THEY'VE NEVER HEARD OF YOU NOR IS THERE ANY PAINTING OF YOURS IN THE VATICAN!

ART SCHOOLS, WHERE YOU CLAIMED TO HAVE RECEIVED HONORS, SAY YOU WERE ONLY A FAIR STUDENT!

WELL, AN ARTIST HAS TO ADVERTISE, DOESN'T HE?

THOSE VALUABLE PAINTINGS, WHICH YOU CLAIMED WERE YOUR PROPERTY AND DESTROYED IN YOUR STUDIO FIRE, HAVE BEEN LOCATED IN VARIOUS MUSEUMS WHERE THEY'VE HUNG FOR YEARS!

AND YOUR WIFE'S UNCLE, FROM WHOM YOU CLAIM TO HAVE INHERITED THE PAINTINGS, DIED IN 1870, MANY, MANY YEARS BEFORE YOU OR YOUR WIFE WERE BORN!

GYP ARTIST ROSSO, TRAPPED IN HIS WEB OF LIES, WAS FOUND GUILTY OF FRAUD AND SENTENCED TO PRISON...

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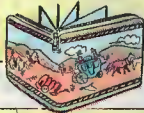
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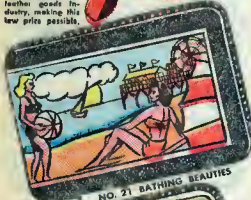
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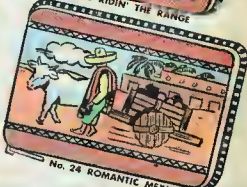
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MIKE JONES was not a very wise kid. He thought he was smart and, somehow got the idea that there was money to be made in crime. He may have read the wrong kind of literature and pictured himself as clever. "Crime and Penalty" was not being published in 1935. Therein, he might have had a chance to read how futile and useless it is to follow a criminal career.

In any event, he already had served time in prison and was out on parole before he was twenty. When he was discharged from his parole in 1935, he immediately began to operate in illegal liquor. But even his companions soon became afraid to work with him because Mike Jones insisted on carrying a gun about with him. The punks with whom he worked, while far from being reputable associates, had no desire to be connected with a possible shooting. So they pulled away from him.

Practically having been put out of one illegal business, Mike Jones began speculating about getting into another one. He considered all possibilities and finally came to the decision that the easiest way to make a living would be taking what he wanted at the point of a gun.

So on August 3, 1935, Mike Jones jammed the nose of a .38 revolver against the ribs of a gas station attendant in Fort Wayne, Indiana, and said, "This is a stickup. Just turn over your cash and we'll get along."

It was an easy haul and, because Mike Jones had no car to get away in, he forced the gas station attendant to drive him to a town twenty-five miles away. The take wasn't too big on that one, but Mike figured he hadn't had to work too hard, either. It was territory with which he was familiar, so he knew just where to go.

A few days later, on August 10th, Mike Jones stuck up an ice-cream parlor. He got away with a small amount and this time he hired a cab,

getting the driver to wait for him a short distance away from the spot of the crime.

"I have some other work for you," Mike said to the driver at the end of the race from the scene. "I got several collections to make in places around. I need to travel fast and I like the way you don't waste time."

"Okay," replied the driver. "Any time you say."

On August 13th, Mike Jones hired the taxi again. He left the cab a little distance from a fruit store and, carrying a bag in his arms, stuffed out with paper to make it look like a bundle of groceries, he entered the store. He looked over the business being taken in, standing in the background, keeping away from the proprietor, who looked his way from time to time. The customers were thinning out, he thought, and he figured he could make a haul before long. But somehow, he began to get the jitters. The last time the owner looked his way it was not with the kind of interest that pleased him. Now the guy was heading for the telephone! Jones thought of the police. He turned on his heel and went back to the cab.

"Go on down the street," he said. "Stop in front of that restaurant on the corner."

There were perhaps a half-dozen people at the tables and counter in Danny Martin's restaurant. Danny himself was standing behind the counter near the front door. The night was hot and it was after eight o'clock. No one paid particular attention to Mike Jones as he entered with his paper hundle in his arms.

"This would be a good place," thought Jones. The place was too big to crowd the exits when he had made a haul. The crowd was small enough so that he could keep them all covered.

Just then a man and woman got up from a table and walked toward the front door of the

restaurant. Before the man left, he leaned over the counter and spoke to Danny and nodded his head toward Jones. Danny laughed and the man and woman left. Jones frowned. Why had the man been looking him over? Was there something wrong about him? He sneered to himself and looked at Danny. The owner would get quite a shock if he knew what was in store for him.

Mike Jones, holding the bag in one arm, edged up along the counter toward Danny Martin. This was the time to go into action. He gripped the gun in his pocket and leaned over the counter.

Martin faced him and grinned. Then the proprietor himself leaned over the counter. It was Danny Martin who spoke. "The fellow who just left," said Danny, "told me you looked like a small time crook and said you were apt to try to rob this joint. Just try it, huddy!"

The words were like a slap across the face to Mike Jones. How would anyone know he looked like a small-time crook? The thought was distasteful. He considered himself as tough as the next guy. He curled his lip.

"Small-time, huh!" he said, unable to control his fury. "Small-time, you think!" Mike Jones drew the gun from his pocket and shoved it forward until it touched the very skin of Danny Martin's neck. Martin looked stunned for a moment and then stepped back a pace.

A deafening blast of red and orange, the acrid smell of powder, and Mike Jones stood still for a few seconds as if he, too, had not realized the awful thing he had done. He put the gun back into his pocket. Realizing it would be impossible to collect anything from this job now, he dashed madly for the door, as the patrons looked on—too startled to move.

Outside, he reached the cab on the run and sprang onto the running board. "Get going!" he gasped. "I just plugged a guy!" The driver started to protest, but found the muzzle of the revolver pointing his way. "Small-time!" laughed Jones nervously. "I guess that'll show 'em!"

Mike Jones was small-time and never had been anything else. He had fooled the police for twenty-three months because he was such small fry. Sergeants Leo Quick and Clyde Jackson first investigated the murder of Danny Martin. Danny had died almost at once from the cowardly shooting.

It did not take them long, after they had ques-

tioned witnesses, to learn that the killer had escaped in a taxi. It was not too much of a job after that to bring in the cab driver, Thomas Hines. Hines said that he had let Mike Jones out quite a way outside the city and had returned to his garage. There the trail died. But it did not mean that the police had stopped looking. Their work had just begun.

Had Mike Jones gone after bigger game, he doubtless would have been caught long before now, but for what he was getting out of his criminal career, he could have saved himself a lot of time and effort and worry by getting an honest job and making more with perfect safety.

It was Jones' very fear of being a small-time crook that gave the police the break for which they had been looking. It came about in the following manner.

Mike Jones took up with another punk, Reed Daley, and planned a robbery. Before the robbery could come off, the friend was arrested for being implicated in another crime. Jones saw a chance for a grandstand play that would, he knew, prove to the friend how important a person Mike Jones was.

He went to the police of Los Angeles, to which city his crimes had taken him, and said, "You have a friend of mine, Reed Daley, in custody." Here Jones produced a weapon from his pocket and laid it on the desk of the sergeant in charge. "I took this gun away from him and will see that he gets into no trouble if you will place him in my custody."

That was a new one to the police. The desk sergeant squinted at Jones. "We handle our own crimes in our own way," he said. Then slowly, so that his words might sink in, he added, "And I think that you might stand some investigating yourself."

Mike Jones then and there was fingerprinted. The keen memory of that officer connected the face of the man before him with a circular that had been received by the department two months earlier. In a short while the "wanted" notice was located.

Thus, by meddling in a crime he had not even committed, Mike Jones paved his own path to the electric chair. He was executed February 16, 1938. It is always that way. A crook ALWAYS blunders somewhere. Crime does NOT pay!

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A SERIES OF TERRIFYING EVENTS BEGAN IN 1899 ON A DESERTED STREET IN DUSSELDORF, A WOMAN'S SHRILL SCREAMS PIERCED THE STILL NIGHT!



HELP!
ARG!
HELP!

HEY, WHAT'S THAT?
DID YOU HEAR SOMEONE
CALLING FOR HELP?
C. MON, FRITZ, LET'S
HAVE A LOOK!

EVERY-
THING IS
GONNA BE
ALRIGHT,
MISS. JUST
TAKE IT
EASY!

THERE HE GOES!
THAT MAN WITH
THE HIGH HAT
AND A MUSTACHE!
HE JUMPED OUT
OF THE BUSHES
AND STARTED TO
CHOKE ME... WHEN
I SCREAMED, HE
GRABBED MY BAG!
DON'T LET HIM
GET AWAY!

HALT, IN
THE NAME
OF THE
LAW!



IN THAT COUNTY COURT ROOM
IN MAY, 1899, PETER KURTEN
RECEIVED HIS FIRST SENTENCE.

PETER KURTEN, FOR STEALING
A HANO BAG, AND FOR
ATTEMPTING TO STRANGLE
A WOMAN, I SENTENCE YOU
TO FIVE YEARS OF
PENAL SERVITUDE.

BAH!

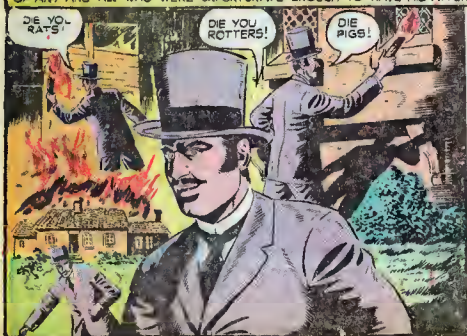


KURTEN PAID HIS PENALTY-FIVE
YEARS TO THE DAY!

I'VE PAID MY FIVE YEARS!
TOMORROW I'M FREE OF THIS
ROTTEN RAT HOLE! I'VE HAD
PLENTY OF TIME TO PLAN MY
REVENGE-THEY'LL PAY WITH
A LIFE FOR EVERY DAY
I SPENT IN HERE!



IMMEDIATELY AFTER HIS RELEASE, HE BEGAN A SYSTEMATIC EXTERMINATION
OF ANY AND ALL WHO WERE UNFORTUNATE ENOUGH TO HAVE HIS ATTENTION!



DIE YOU
RATS!

DIE YOU
ROTTERS!

DIE
PIGS!

THIS SHOULD BE NEWS TO YOU-
WITHIN THE PAST SIX MONTHS
THERE HAVE BEEN 35 CASES OF
ARSON COMMITTED IN THIS VICINITY,
AND IT ALL LOOKS LIKE THE WORK OF
THE SAME MADMAN! DOUBLE YOUR
GUARDS, WE MUST GET HIM! DO
YOU HEAR? WE MUST GET HIM!



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THE ENTIRE CITY'S POLICE FORCE WAS ALERTED ON JANUARY 2ND 1904. FOUR EXTRA DUTY OFFICERS SPOTTED A MAN TORCH IN HAND LOITERING IN AN ARCADE!

THAT'S HIM ALRIGHT, AND JUST ABOUT TO SET FIRE TO THAT SCHOOL HOUSE! GRAB HIM!



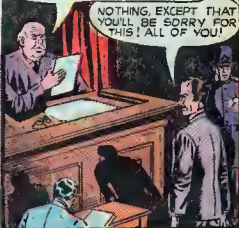
AT LAST WE'VE GOT YOU, YOU INHUMAN MONSTER!



AGAIN THE LAW TOOK ITS COURSE—BUT THIS TIME HE GOT THE BODDY THROWN AT HIM!

PETER KURTEN, BY YOUR RECORD AND YOUR OWN CONFESSION, YOU HAVE COMMITTED 40 CRIMES OF ARSON! I SENTENCE YOU TO FROM TWENTY YEARS TO LIFE IN PRISON, AT HARD LABOR! HAVE YOU ANYTHING TO SAY?

NOTHING, EXCEPT THAT YOU'LL BE SORRY FOR THIS! ALL OF YOU!



AFTER SERVING ONLY A PART OF HIS SENTENCE, ON MAY 7, 1913, PETER KURTEN WAS RELEASED FROM JAIL... ON GOOD BEHAVIOR!

I HATE EM—I HATE EVERY LIVING LAST ONE OF 'EM! I WILL KILL ONE A DAY FOR THE REST OF MY LIFE!



UPON HIS RELEASE, HE WENT STRAIGHT BACK TO HIS OLD HUNTING GROUNDS! THE SAME DAY A COUNTY FAIR WAS IN CHEERFUL PROGRESS ON THE OUTSKIRTS OF OUSSELDORF!



THOSE ARE VERY PRETTY BRACELETS! I WONDER WHETHER YOUR LOVELY LADIES WOULD PERMIT ME TO PURCHASE THEM FOR YOU!

WHAT A GENEROUS MAN! HOW KIND YOU ARE!



GO ON, SCREAM YOU OLD HAG! IT'S YOUR LAST!

LATER THAT EVENING ON THE WALK HOME FROM THE FAIR...

YOU FIEND! WHY ARE YOU DOING THIS TO US! HELP--HEL--

IT'S A FORM OF REVENGE! NO OTHER SPECIAL REASON—BUT YOU WOULDN'T UNDERSTAND!



I HATE YOU! THEREFORE YOU MUST DIE



HORRIBLE AND SUDDEN DEATH—LURKED AT EVERY CORNER, EVERY UNGUARDED MOMENT WAS AN INVITATION TO A CEMETERY!

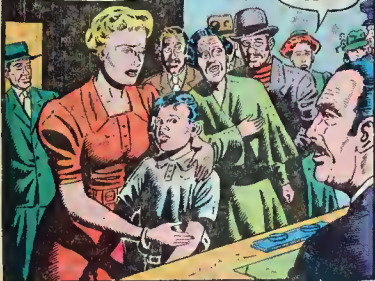
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THE TENSION UPON THE CITIZENRY HAD REACHED THE BREAKING POINT! A FRANTIC POPULACE APPEALED TO THE FEDERAL MINISTRY OF JUSTICE...

INSPECTOR GENNAUT, YOU MUST DO SOMETHING ABOUT THESE AWFUL CRIMES! OUR CHILDREN AREN'T SAFE, EVEN ON THEIR WAY TO SCHOOL!

THIS MURDERER STRIKES IRRESPECTIVE OF AGE! HE MUST BE STOPPED!

PLEASE HELP US!



PASS THE WORD TO YOUR FRIENDS! NO ONE MUST BE OUT ALONE AFTER DARK! ALWAYS WALK IN PAIRS! TAKE AND CALL FOR YOUR SCHOOL CHILDREN! WE ARE DOING EVERYTHING IN OUR POWER TO APPREHEND THIS MANIAC, BUT WE'LL NEED YOUR COOPERATION!



AT THE PUBLIC ZOO ONE LATE AFTERNOON, PETER KURTEN MADE AN... ACQUAINTANCE...

I HOPE I'M NOT TOO PRESUMPTUOUS, BUT AS WE'RE BOTH ALONE, I THOUGHT WE MIGHT JOIN FORCES, AND ENJOY THE REST OF THE DAY TOGETHER. MISS... ER

DONNIER, ELIZABETH DONNIER!



MY-WHAT A BEAUTIFUL MOON!

TAKE A GOOD LOOK AT IT, ELIZABETH, BECAUSE IT'S THE LAST ONE YOU'LL EVER SEE!



MURDER, ANOTHER MURDER MUTILATION! MURDER! READ ALL ABOUT IT!



ELIZABETH DONNIER'S MURDER IS OUR 30TH UNSOLVED CASE! WE'VE GOT TO OUTWIT THIS FENO! I HAVE A PLAN!



AN ANONYMOUS TIPSTER TOLD THE COMMISSIONER OF POLICE THAT THE BLUE BEARO WOULD BE AT THE PLATZL NIGHT CLUB! HE TRIED A OARING EXPERIMENT!

STOP! STOP THE MUSIC! EVERYONE STAY RIGHT WHERE YOU ARE!



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A COFFIN WITH THE BODY OF KURTEN'S LATEST VICTIM IN IT WAS PLACED ON THE DANCE FLOOR!

OPEN THAT COFFIN!

KEEP YOUR EYES OPEN FOR ANY UNUSUAL ACTION! THIS MUST NOT FAIL!

THERE IS NO RESPONSE! YOUR PLAN IS A FAILURE, COMMISSIONER!

HOPING THAT THE SIGHT OF HER WOULD BRING THE KILLER TO PSYCHOLOGICAL PANIC, HE PLACED MANY DETECTIVES AMONG THE GUESTS, WHO WATCHED CAT-LIKE FOR ANY UNDUE REACTIONS!

THE NEXT DAY, AT A SEA-SHORE RESORT ON THE RHINE, HE APPROACHED ANOTHER GIRL, WHO LATER WAS KNOWN BY THE POLICE ONLY AS ANNI!

I'VE BEEN WATCHING YOU ENVYING THE ROWERS! WOULD YOU LIKE ME TO HIRE A BOAT AND TAKE YOU FOR A RIDE? MISS... ER?

ANNI, JUST CALL ME ANNI!

IT'S SO QUIET AND PEACEFUL HERE! I JUST LOVE THE WATER!

I'M SO GLAD YOU DO, ANNI, BECAUSE YOU'RE GOING TO SPEND A LOT OF TIME IN IT!

HER BODY WAS NEVER RECOVERED!

HIS LUST FOR MURDER GREW IN INTENSITY! THAT VERY SAME DAY, IN A RAILROAD STATION, A STRANGE COINCIDENCE WAS ABOUT TO HAPPEN!

PARDON ME, SIR, I'M A STRANGER IN TOWN! CAN YOU TELL ME WHERE I CAN FIND A HOTEL FOR GIRLS?

I'LL DO MORE THAN TELL YOU, I'LL BE GLAD TO SHOW YOU THE WAY!

LET'S TAKE THIS STREET—IT'S A SHORT CUT, CLARA!

NO! STOP RUILING ME! HELP! SOMEBODY, HELP!

AND SO PETER MADE HIS APPEARANCE...

HOW DARE YOU MOLEST THIS GIRL! BE OFF WITH YOU OR I SHALL BE FORCED TO CALL THE POLICE!

OH THANK YOU, SIR!

AS HE WAS ON THE HUNT FOR HIS NEXT VICTIM, A STRANGER, PERHAPS ONE OF KURTEN'S OWN KIND, WAS MOLESTING A GIRL.

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WOULD YOU LIKE TO COME UP TO MY APARTMENT? AFTER YOUR AWFUL ORDEAL, A QUIET REST, AND PERHAPS A BITE OF SUPPER MIGHT NOT BE AMISS!

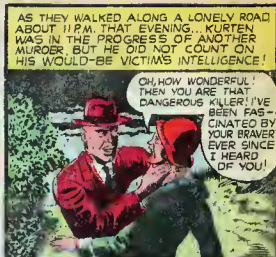
THANK YOU! KIND GENTLEMEN LIKE YOU ARE RARE IN DEED!



AFTER YOU FINISH, MARIA, I'LL BE DELIGHTED TO ESCORT YOU TO YOUR HOTEL!

I'D LIKE NOTHING BETTER! I'M HONESTLY AFRAID TO WALK THE STREETS ALONE AT NIGHT!

HE DID NOT THINK IT EXPEDIENT TO KILL HER IN HIS APARTMENT FOR FEAR OF LEAVING CLUES!



AS THEY WALKED ALONG A LONELY ROAD ABOUT 11 P.M. THAT EVENING... KURTEN WAS IN THE PROGRESS OF ANOTHER MURDER BUT HE DID NOT COUNT ON HIS WOULD-BE VICTIM'S INTELLIGENCE!

OH, HOW WONDERFUL! THEN YOU ARE THAT DANGEROUS KILLER! I'VE BEEN FASCINATED BY YOUR BRAVERY EVER SINCE I HEARD OF YOU!



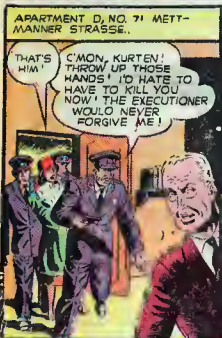
HA, HA, MARIA! I WAS JUST FOOLING. I WOULDN'T KILL YOU! BY THE WAY, YOU KNOW WHERE I LIVE, MARIA? YOU MIGHT BE IN NEED, AND I COULD HELP YOU SOMETIME!

THAT WILL BE JUST WONDERFUL!



YES, I REMEMBER THE STREET AND I THINK I COULD RECOGNIZE THE HOUSE

YOU ARE A VERY BRAVE GIRL! THERE'S \$10,000 REWARD FOR HIS CAPTURE, YOU KNOW!



APARTMENT D, NO. 71 METTMANN STRASSE.

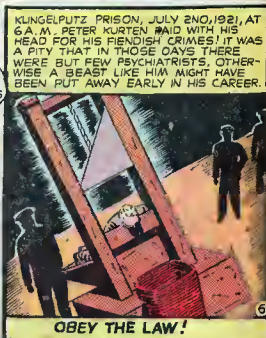
THAT'S HIM!

C'MON, KURTEN! THROW UP THOSE HANDS! I'D HATE TO HAVE TO KILL YOU NOW! THE EXECUTIONER WOULD NEVER FORGIVE ME!



PETER KURTEN FACED A BITTER COURTROOM-AND A VENGEFUL POPULACE WAS ANXIOUSLY AWAITING HIS EARLY DESTRUCTION.

PETER KURTEN, I HEREBY SENTENCE YOU TO DEATH BY THE GUILLOTINE! OUR CIVILIZATION PREVENTS YOU FROM GETTING WORSE PUNISHMENT, IF THAT WERE CONCEIVABLE!



KLINGELPUTZ PRISON, JULY 2ND, 1921, AT 6 A.M. PETER KURTEN PAID WITH HIS HEAD FOR HIS FIENDISH CRIMES! IT WAS A PITY THAT IN THOSE DAYS THERE WERE BUT FEW PSYCHIATRISTS, OTHERWISE A BEAST LIKE HIM MIGHT HAVE BEEN PUT AWAY EARLY IN HIS CAREER.

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SPEAK UP!

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ON THE LEVEL by C.H. MOORE

FINGERPRINTS

CAN'T BE CHANGED!

JOHN DILLINGER

PAID \$5000 TO AN UNDERWORLD
SURGEON TO CHANGE OR REMOVE
HIS FINGERPRINTS - AFTER WEEKS
OF PAINFUL OPERATIONS THE BANDAGES
WERE REMOVED AND HIS ORIGINAL
FINGERPRINTS HAD
FORMED ON THE NEW SKIN!



THE ODDS AGAINST
DRAWING 4 ACES FROM A DECK
OF 52 PLAYING CARDS IN 4 DRAWS
ARE 270,724 TO 1!

BLACK JACK
IS THE NAME
OF A TOWN
IN
MISSOURI

IN THE PILGRIM DAYS
THE 'STOCK' WAS USED
AS A FORM OF PUNISHMENT

THE LAWBREAKER WAS
COMPELLED TO MAKE HIS
OWN STOCK - HE WAS
THEN LOCKED IN IT
IN THE PUBLIC SQUARE



THE GAMBLING GAME
OF "CRAPS"
WAS INTRODUCED IN AMERICA
BY BERNARD XAVIER PHILIPPE
DE MARIGNY DE MANDEVILLE
WHO LOST HIS ENTIRE FORTUNE
AND WENT INTO DEBT PLAYING THE
GAME! DON'T GAMBLE
YOU CAN'T WIN!

C.H. MOORE

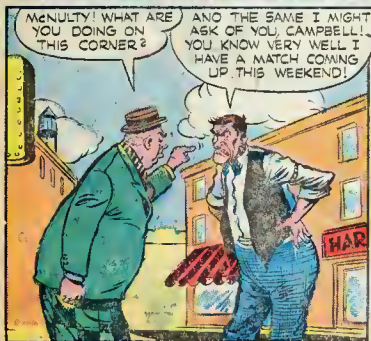
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HAPPY McNULTY and FANCY CAMPBELL

A
TRUE
CRIME
STORY

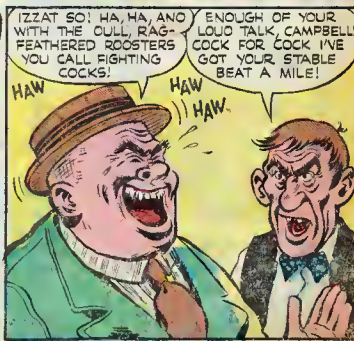


THIRTY YEARS AGO IN THE TOWN OF ALLENDALE, NEW JERSEY, THERE LIVED TWO ENVIOUS COENZENS OF CRIME. NOW FANCY CAMPBELL AND HAPPY McNULTY WERE NEIGHBORS, BUT WHEN TWO ARE ENGAGED IN THE ILLEGAL BUSINESS OF GAME COCK FIGHTING, BEING NEARBY DOESN'T MEAN THAT YOU ARE NECESSARILY FRIENDLY.



McNULTY! WHAT ARE YOU DOING ON THIS CORNER?

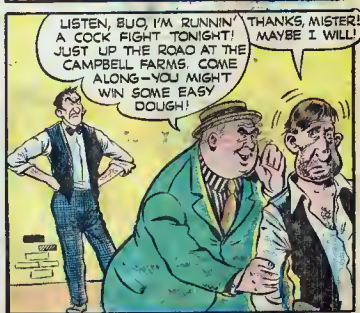
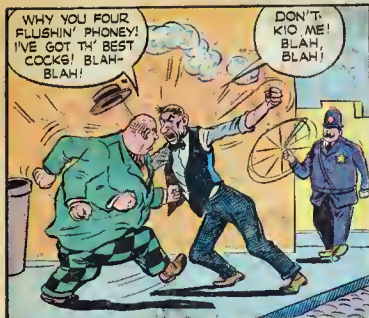
AND THE SAME I MIGHT ASK OF YOU, CAMPBELL! YOU KNOW VERY WELL I HAVE A MATCH COMING UP THIS WEEKEND!



IZZAT SO! HA, HA, AND WITH THE CULL, RAG-FEATHERED ROOSTERS YOU CALL FIGHTING COCKS!

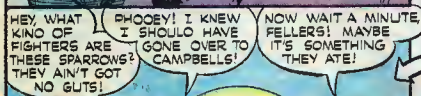
ENOUGH OF YOUR LOUD TALK, CAMPBELL! COCK FOR COCK I'VE GOT YOUR STABLE BEAT A MILE!

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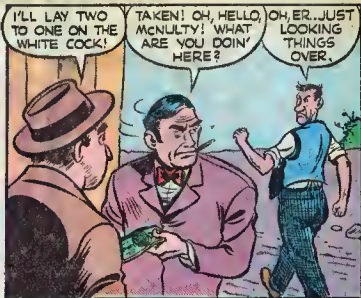


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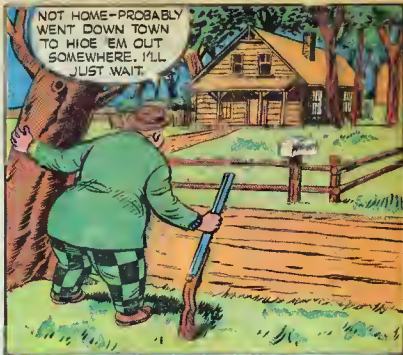
LET'S SEE HOW THE TWO MADE OUT THAT EVENING...



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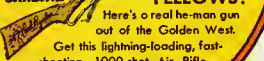
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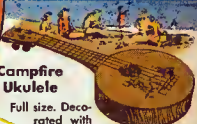
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